REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Title of Publication: Amanda story 000924.txt

Other Known Title: Amanda's Conquest

Format: Computer Text File Printout

Director/Author: Not Stated

Producer/Publisher: Not Stated

Country of Origin: Not Stated

Language: English

Applicant: Comptroller of Customs

Distributor: Not Applicable

Classification: Objectionable.

Descriptive Note: Not Applicable

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Excisions: Not Applicable

Reasons for excisions:

Not Applicable

Summary of reasons for classification:

The computer text file printout *Amanda story 000924.txt* is classified as: Objectionable.

The printout promotes and supports the exploitation of children, or young persons, or both, for sexual purposes. It contains a fictional story about a girl who seduces adult men, encouraging them to engage in adult sexual activity with her. It portrays the girl as being emotionally and physically ready to engage in sexual activity with adults. The writing style is explicit, vernacular and intended to excite and arouse readers.

The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression, as set out in section 14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. This outcome is consistent, however, with Parliament's intention that publications falling under section 3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 are deemed to be objectionable. The classification is also a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the exploitation of children or young persons for sexual purposes.